

RESTORE

Rivers: Engaging, Supporting and Transferring knOwledge for Restoration in Europe
EU LIFE+ Information & Communication Project

Sector Engagement Event



Restoring Europe's Rivers

Workshop Theme:

Integrating River Restoration Into Spatial Planning: Delivering Multiple Benefits

Invited audience:

Practitioner-level land-use planners, government agency, water managers,
river basin planners, local authorities, and project designers

Date and location:

8th March 2012, **Rijkswaterstaat offices, Arnhem, NL**, with a site visit on 9th March 2012
to Bakenhof (Arnhem) and Klompenwaard (Pannerden)

Workshop objectives:

- Identify how **spatial planning mechanisms** such as land banking and sketch-match can be used to achieve **integrated land and water management**. Discuss the **issues and multi benefits of river restoration** in both urban and rural settings and how to promote them.
- Using **Europe-wide examples**, demonstrate spatial planning practice, experience and the varying degrees of success of land and water projects.
- Identify **what tools land-use planners need** to help them deliver river catchment planning and river restoration projects.
- Discuss **how to involve stakeholders** in planning **and at what stage in order to** initiate projects which successfully delivery multiple benefits.

There will be short introductory presentations relating to key issues and experiences from specially invited speakers. Free attendance (see booking form for details)

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Draft Programme

11.00 – Introduction to RESTORE (*Toni Scarr, RESTORE Project Manager*)

11:10 – Introduction to the workshop:

Land and water management and how it can incorporate river restoration

11:20 – Speaker 1: Planning Liaison Officer, United Kingdom

Judith Cooke (Environment Agency) & Matthew Jericho (Lewisham Borough Council)

Delivering river restoration through the UK planning system in South London

11:30 – Speaker 2: Planner, Netherlands

Michael Van Buuren (Dutch Government Service for Land and Water Management)

Dutch experience of making ‘Room for the River’

11.40 – Speaker 3: Deputy Head of the Office of planning and economy

Emmanuel Steinmann (Ministère de l’Écologie, du Développement durable, des Transports et du Logement)

French Experience of spatial planning

11:50 – Group discussions to tease out issues.

What are your barriers to delivering river restoration through planning?

What are the tools that you are currently using?

12:40 – Summary of issues

13.00 – 14.00 - LUNCH

14:00 – Speaker 4: Local Authority Planner, United Kingdom

Tim Crawshaw (Darlington Borough Council)

Solutions to delivering river restoration through land use planning

14:10 – Speaker 5: Government agency Biodiversity Specialist, United Kingdom

Dave Webb (Environment Agency)

Delivering river restoration from UK Agency perspective

14:20 – Speaker 6: Planner

Nivedita Mahida (Water Authority – Lower Bavaria)

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14:30 – Group Discussion – looking at solutions for issues identified

15:40 – 15:55 - Tea/coffee

15:55 – Group Discussions – What additional tools are needed?

16:55 – Summary of Discussions

17:10 – Next Steps, and introduction to the site visit

17.30 – Close